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SUBJECT: NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL READOUT - DECEMBER 19, 2007

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1.(C/NF) Summary from the NAC Meeting:

-- Afghanistan: The ISAF autumn 2007 Periodic Mission Review was provisionally approved. SHAPE reported that 70 percent of significant events i  
-- Balkans: Three Kosovo-related documents were placed under silence until noon on December 20 (see refTEL). The Secretary General reminded all  
-- Darfur: The Secretary General (SYG) noted the receipt of a Note Verbale from the African Union, expressing appreciation to NATO for its support  
-- Iraq: The final approval of the Autumn 2007 NTM-I PMR passed silence Friday, December 14.  
-- Response to Terrorism: Noting that NATO's response to terrorism was an issue that would need to be addressed at the upcoming Bucharest Summit  
-- Statements on Political Subjects: The Spanish PermRep remarked that one of Spain's most important accomplishments as OSCE CIO was establishing  
-- AOB: Informal Defense Ministerial in Vilnius --) The Council approved the SYG's outline schedule for February's informal NATO Defense Ministerial  
-- NATO Response Force --) The NRF Interim Force Generation paper received Military Committee approval.  
-- Helicopters --) A draft decision sheet on measures to remedy the shortage of helicopters was put under a short silence procedure until mid-dec  
-- Expanded Russian Naval Presence in the Mediterranean --) The planned deployment of the Russian Aircraft Carrier Kuznetsov to the Mediterranean

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Afghanistan  
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2.(C/NF) Secretary General (SYG) de Hoop Scheffer asked for and received the North Atlantic Council's (NAC's) provisional approval of the autumn

3.(C/NF) Chairman of the Military Committee (CMC) Henault informed the NAC that its June 2007 tasking to the Strategic Commands to refine (by t  
-- CSTC-A's Command Plan Review and ISAF HQ's NATO supporting plan. Henault reminded the NAC that Allies had been unable to meet the February 2

4.(C/NF) SHAPE Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations MG Wright stated that the total number of pan-theater significant events was down 11 per cent

5.(C/NF) MG Wright stated that ISAF operations remain focused largely on the ring road and on Opposing Militant Force (OMF) concentrations in t  
-- in Zabul. He announced that the Japanese-funded work on the last remaining unpaved segment of the ring road, a 116-kilometer stretch between

6.(C/NF) Reporting on the situation in Musa Qala, Wright said that 5,000 kilograms of heroin rock, with an estimated street value of USD one bi

7.(C/NF) Charge Olson asked MG Wright if funds from COMISAF's Post-Operations Humanitarian Relief Fund (POHRF) had been used in Musa Qala. MG W

8.(C/NF) In other interventions, Denmark announced it was immediately implementing a USD 500,000 education initiative in Musa Qala to build and

9.(C/NF) The Turkish PermRep, noting a report by SCR Everts that European Union police training mission (EUPOL) officials had requested ISAF fa

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Balkans  
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10.(C/NF) RefTEL reports and requests guidance on three Kosovo-related documents which were discussed and put under silence until noon on Decem

11.(C/NF) The CMC reported that the NATO Operational Reserve Force from Germany recently completed its activities in Kosovo and will be back in

12.(C/NF) Czech PermRep Fule made an appeal that the issue of security always be kept separate from the issue of Kosovo's status. He underscored

13.(C/NF) The SYG observed that PermReps at the December 18 Coffee pledged their availability to give rapid NAC guidance at any time over the h

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Darfur

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14.(C/NF) The Secretary General noted the receipt of a Note Verbale from the African Union, expressing appreciation to NATO for its support of

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Iraq

15.(C/NF) The SYG noted that the final approval of the Autumn 2007 NTM-I PMR passed silence Friday, December 14.

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Response to Terrorism

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Statements on Political Subjects

17. (C/NF) Noting that Spain's time as OSCE Chairman in Office (CIO) was coming to an end, Spanish PermRep Benavides said that one of Madrid's

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- ¶18. (C/NF) Informal Defense Ministerial in Vilnius -) The Council approved the SYG's proposed outline schedule for February,s informal meeting
- ¶19. (C/NF) NATO Response Force )- The SYG informed the NAC that the NRF Interim Force Generation paper was approved by the Military Committee
- ¶20. (C/NF) Helicopters )- The SYG noted that a draft decision sheet had been circulated on measures to remedy the shortage of helicopters and
- ¶21. (C/NF) Expanded Russian Naval Presence in the Mediterranean -) CMC Henault briefed on the planned deployment of the Russian Aircraft Carri
- ¶22. (C/NF) Norwegian PermRep Traavik informed Allies the Kuznetsov had recently conducted maneuvers near Norwegian oil platforms, causing sigr